



Instructions for New Applicants for Title II Formula Grants

To put together your application, follow the instructions in this section and assemble your application in the order indicated. Your project narrative, which consists of sections 4-9, may not exceed 17 double-spaced, single-sided pages using 12-point typeface and 1-inch margins.

Applications should be stapled or held together with a binder clip in the upper left corner. Do not bind your application or submit it in a folder. Your application must also be three-holed punched on the left side.

The original and 11 copies should be submitted to the CCJJ office by the deadline, Monday April 21, 2003 by 3:00 pm.

Section 1: Cover Sheet

Complete the cover sheet. In Box 7, check "Initiate a New Program". Title II Formula Grant Funds cannot be used to support an existing program. Do **not** list any cash or in-kind match on the cover sheet. Any information on supplemental funding can be included in your Budget Matrix and Budget Narrative.

Section 2: Program Category Checklist

Follow the instructions on the form.

Section 3: Standard Project Descriptors

Follow the instructions on the form.

Section 4: Project Summary

Provide a **one-page** overview of your proposed project. Attach this summary immediately after Section 3.

Section 5: Problem Statement (20 points)

Define and describe the problem that your project intends to address. Document the problem in a manner that allows for measurement of its scope before, during and after project activity. Statistical information from the past three years is necessary.

Address the following questions:

- What is the specific problem in your jurisdiction and how does it relate to the Utah Crime Reduction Plan? Why does this problem exist in your area?

- What or who is experiencing the problem (an area of the community, a segment of the juvenile justice population, etc.)? Provide information about your target population.
- Is this problem related to specific crimes or is it a system-related problem?
- How does this problem affect the disproportionate numbers of minorities in the juvenile justice system?
- Why is federal funding needed? What are the current gaps in the system that are preventing this problem from being addressed?

Section 6: Target Population

Follow the instructions on the form.

Section 7: Project Goals and Objectives (20 points)

Goals and objectives should be directly related to the Problem Statement. Project goal(s) describe what you expect your project to achieve when it is completed. In two or three sentences, clearly describe the LONG-TERM outcomes or societal impact you expect to achieve by completing this project. Goals need to be both realistic and achievable. If your goals are met, the project should have a positive affect on the targeted problem.

Examples of Goals

- To decrease the prevalence of drug use among juveniles.
- To increase community safety by sharing information about serious habitual offenders.
- To enhance the competence of juveniles in the juvenile justice system through educational and vocational programming.

Project objectives identify what your agency will do to reach the project goals. Describe the SHORT-TERM results produced by this project that together will lead to the accomplishments of this goal. Objectives are statements about what specific changes in the participants or community the program will bring about in order to fulfill its goals. Objectives must be clear, realistic, measurable and relate to the Problem Statement. Make precise statements of what you hope to accomplish during the life of the project. The objectives will be used to judge progress and the success or failure of your project.

Examples of Objectives

- Reduce by 10% the number of juveniles who violate their probation agreements.
- Provide a 10-week behavioral skills course for 25 juvenile offenders each quarter.
- Re-arrests of offenders in this program will be reduced by 25%.

Section 8: Evaluation Plan (15 points)

Every application must have an acceptable plan to gather, store, analyze and present performance measures before funds will be awarded. Performance measures explain how you plan to measure the Project Objectives (listed in Section 5). Organize this information so that you can compare your objectives with your actual accomplishments. Explain your evaluation methods and how data will be collected. Up to 10% of your grant budget may be devoted to evaluation.

Your evaluation plan must also state that you will participate, if applicable, in the evaluation study being conducted by the University of Utah Criminal and Juvenile Justice Research Consortium.

Examples of Performance Measures

Example 1

- Project Objective: Reduce by 10% the number of juveniles who violate their probation agreements.
- Performance Measure: Comparison of violations before and after the program.

Example 2

- Project Objective: Provide a 10-week behavioral skills course for 25 juvenile offenders each quarter.
- Performance Measure: Number of hours and number of juveniles served the program each quarter. Attendance rate. Completion rate.

Section 9: Project Design and Management (35 points)

Describe the general approach to be used during your project. Explain how your project will address the problem you described. Explain what will make your program work. You must cite relevant research to show that your program strategy is effective.

Explain each of the various steps or phases of the project, including a description of how the proposed work will be organized and staffed. Identify existing staff that will be directly involved in your project and include their qualifications. Identify any new staff, their job descriptions and qualification. Do not attach resumes. Identify any consultants that will be hired. Consultant resumes must be included and labeled as "Attachment C."

If you are using volunteers, identify how many will be used, how they will be recruited, how they will be trained and their role in the project.

Describe applicable collaborative efforts with other organizations in your community. Copies of Letters of Participation should be included in Attachment A. Programs that fail to demonstrate active collaboration with other agencies or organizations will not be funded.

Include a timeline of steps needed to implement the project. The timeline should identify program activities for the entire grant year (July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004).

Section 10: Budget Matrix and Narrative (10 points)

Complete the Budget Matrix and attach the form immediately after Section 7 of your application. The WordPerfect version of the Matrix will automatically add each column for you. Highlight the columns you want calculated (including the total or subtotal column), right click on your mouse button, and select “QuickSum”. The Word version of the Matrix will need to be calculated manually.

Following the Budget Matrix, attach a detailed budget narrative. Review the Budget Guidelines document for specific budget narrative requirements. The narrative should clearly identify Title II grant expenses.

When planning your budget, remember to include the costs associated with participating in the University of Utah’s evaluation study. Acceptable costs include staff time to administer and mail the surveys; postage costs; and mailing supplies expenses.

Government entities may receive three years of step-down funding (100%, 75% and 50%). Qualified CBOs may receive four years of step-down funding (100%, 90%, 75% and 50%). At the end of your narrative, explain your plan for finding other sources of funding to support your project when Title II funds decline and when you are no longer eligible for Title II funding.

Conclude this section with information regarding your organization’s fiscal officer, including phone number and contact information.

Attachments

Attachment A: Letters of Participation.

The letters should detail the specific contribution the agency/organization is providing for your project. These should **not be letters of support**.

Attachment B: Denial of Funding Letter

Include this letter only if applicable.

Attachment C: Consultant Resume(s)

Include only if applicable.

Appendices

Complete the applicable Appendices and obtain original signatures. Appendices are attached only to your original grant application. It is not necessary to include them in your 11 copies.

Application Checklist

	Section 1 - Fill out Cover Sheet appropriately with budget amounts matching the Budget Matrix and Budget Narrative. Do not include cash or in-kind funding on the cover sheet.
	Signatures - Required on Cover Sheet and specified Appendices
	Section 2 - Project Category Checklist
	Section 3 - Standard Project Descriptors
	Section 4 - One Page Program and Budget Summary
	Section 5 – Problems Statement
	Section 6 – Target Population
	Section 7 – Project Goals and Objectives
	Section 8 – Evaluation Plan
	Section 9 – Project Design and Management
	Section 10 - Budget Matrix and Budget Narrative
	Page Limit - 17 page limit for Sections 4-9
	Attachment A - Letters of Participation (DO NOT INCLUDE LETTERS OF SUPPORT)
	Attachment B - Denial for Funding Letter (CBOs ONLY)
	Attachment C - Consultant Resume(s) (if applicable)
	Appendix 1 - Signed Certified Assurances and Grant Conditions
	Appendix 2 - Signed Certification of Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, & Voluntary Exclusion
	Appendix 3 – Certification Regarding Lobbying
	Appendix 4 - Signed EEOP (applicable only if 50+ employees AND \$25,000+ in federal funds)
	Appendix 5 - Audit/Single Audit Requirement (Local Agencies ONLY)
	Appendix 6 - Drug Free Workplace Requirements (State Agencies ONLY)
	Copies - (1) original with Appendices and (11) copies without Appendices (stapled or held with a binder clip and three-hole punched on the left side)
	Deadline - Monday, April 21, 2003 at 3:00 pm - 101 State Capitol Building, SLC, UT 84114-0651 (Application postmarked 4/21 will NOT be accepted)